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EDITORIAL.

So far, January / February 1998 has been the busiest on record for the group. We have had 3 sightings reported to the group (See page 3), more sightings of the 'Mystery' cat (See page 14), I have appeared on 2 radio programs (See page 5) and we have been contacted by Ch5, and group member Ernie Sears appeared on a program to be screened on Thursday the 5th February (See Tv reviews on page 5). Also, by the time you receive this newsletter, our first invited speaker of 1998, Matthew Williams, will have given his lecture (See review on page 20). So, as you can see, we are running at full steam at present, and I just wonder what 1998 has in store for us.

Talking of things strange and wonderful... Watch out for the new party that is going to take government by storm (or wizardry ?). It seems that a new political party has sprouted a broomstick and is going to challenge Tony Blair for the leadership of the country... It appears that a certain 'Mystic Merlin' landed in Eastleigh, Southampton (See picture), and it seems that the Alien Visitor's Political Party has come to town. To be a member of this new party, spotting a UFO is one of the qualifications. Merlin (alias George Vernon - no wonder our Vernon is called Mystic Merlin ...) aims to

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make his party a global political force to win the millennium general election... According to Merlin, a key part of its manifesto is to give children the vote. He said in a recent interview in the Southampton Evening Echo 23rd Feb... 'If they can go to school then they should be allowed to vote'... Well, what can you say.... 'King Arthur Rules' or 'Sir Galahad will be the under secret for defense or 'The Lady of

the Lake - The new secretary for energy - especially water'..... Also, the government will not be sitting around a cabinet - But a round table..... I am sorry to say, that poor old Merlin will be left out in the cold, and who would ever believe... England being run by a wizard.....

Talking about the weird and wonderful, I Hear old Nick Pope is bringing out a new book in time for the Millennium. The new book is to be a mixture of fact and science fiction.. and has been okayed by the Ministry of Defense. Mind you what's new... It appears yet to be another way for old Nick to subsidize his high ranking job within the ministry and to pass on information to those gullible members of the UFO world and the general public, a book, that does nothing for UFOlogy. Nick has never told us nothing that we do not already know, and writing a semi-factual book, will not, in my opinion do any good for UFOlogy. So look out, folks, the millennium is just around the corner.....

**NEXT GROUP
MEETING :
SUNDAY 24TH
APRIL 1998.
CHURCH ROAD
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7.30 - 10 PM.



WHAT THE PRESS HAD TO SAY IN JUNE 1996.

REGIONAL ARTICLES.

- 1.6.96 : Western Morning News : Village buzzed by UFOs.
- 4.6.96 : Glasgow Daily Record : For the record.
- 4.6.96 : Oxford Mail : No Headline.
- 4.6.96 : Manchester Evening News : Nick on trail of silent Vulcan.
- 5.6.96 : Nottingham Topper : Notts landing for UFO boss.
- 5.6.96 : Holyhead & Anglesey Mail : Is anybody out there ? (Letter).
- 5.6.96 : Bangor & Anglesey Mail : Is anybody out there ? (Letter).
- 6.6.96 : Dover Express : Video view.
- 6.6.96 : Wigan Reporter : UFO Update.
- 6.6.96 : Staffordshire Times : Joan's no longer a skeptic.
- 6.6.96 : Heywood Advertiser : Ex-editor's X-File is re-opened.
- 7.6.96 : Gainsborough Standard : Micro or macro leadership ?
- 7.6.96 : Grantham Journal : UFO spotted in Colsterworth.
- 7.6.96 : Oxford Times : Firm admit UFO beam was down to them.
- 7.6.96 : Burton Daily Mail : Flying triangle was definitely no aircraft. (Letter).
- 10.6.96 : Oxford Mail : Strange light riddle solved.
- 11.6.96 : Thanet Times : Reports of UFOs baffle boffins at base.
- 12.6.96 : Gloucestershire Echo : UFO claim for strange orange light.
- 13.6.96 : Gloucestershire Echo : Yes, the Martians are here.
- 13.6.96 : West Briton & Royal Cornwall Gazette : No Headline.
- 14.6.96 : Gloucestershire Echo : Close encounters of the furry kind.
- 14.6.96 : Spenborough Guardian : The truth is out there.
- 14.6.96 : Spenborough Guardian : 'UFO' lands in Spen.
- 14.6.96 : Loughborough Echo : Bright egg-shaped craft spotted in town sky !
- 15.6.96 : Scottish Weekly News : Under my hat.
- 19.6.96 : Oswestry & Border Counties Advertiser : Object in the sky 'totally alien' ?
- 21.6.96 : Coventry Evening Telegraph : UFO show director in alien base drama.
- 22.6.96 : Gloucester Echo : Little grey area does no harm.
- 24.6.96 : Ipswich Evening Star : No Headline.
- 26.6.96 : Birmingham Post : The truth is out there.
- 27.6.96 : Irish Times - Dublin : UFO 'sighted' on Lithuanian road.
- 27.6.96 : Daventry Express : Sightings add to UFO theory.
- 29.6.96 : Worcester Evening News : Riddle of county's silver-suited visitor's.

LOCAL PRESS ARTICLES.

- 7.6.96 : Hampshire Chronicle : Townswomen hear about UFOs.
- 21.6.96 : Southampton Evening Echo : The truth is out there. (Letter).
- 29.6.96 : Southampton Evening Echo : Lid slowly opening on the UFO mystery.



CROP CIRCLE ARTICLES.

- 11.6.96 : Southampton Evening Echo : Going round in circles ?
 14.6.96 : Andover Midweek Advertiser : Reg uses chopper theory to axe crop circle claims.
 27.6.96 : Southampton Evening Echo : Shapes send experts round in circles....
 29.6.96 : Daily Mail : Message from the stars or a double bluff in the barley ?

NEWSPAPER UNKNOWN.

- 6.6.96 : 'We've had close encounters too' - UFO believers tell their story.

NATIONAL NEWSPAPERS.

- 00.6.96 : The Guardian : The Loafer. Nick Popes book : Open Skies - Cloed Minds.
 2.6.96 : The Independent on Sunday : A town like Rachel.
 3.6.96 : The Independent : Now I'm a believer.
 9.6.96 : The Sunday Times : Flights of Fancy ?
 16.6.96 : The Sunday Express : Alien Crossing.
 28.6.96 : Daily Mail : Andrew Alexander column.

MAGAZINE ARTICLES.

- 00.6.96 : Focus : Keeping an open mind.
 8.6.96 : Video Home Entertainment : Odyssey's alien oddities.
 11.6.96 : Woman's Realm : It's official - UFOs do exist.
 14.6.96 : UK Press Gazette : UFO Reality.

Recent UFO Activity Over Hampshire and Dorset.

The following cases are still under investigation by SUFOG, and further updates will be published when available :

Case Ref : SG/1/98 :

Date : 6.1.98.
 Time : 09.30am.
 Location : Corfe Mullen, Wimbourne, Dorset.
 Duration : A few seconds.
 Direction : South to North.
 Description : Red (like Dutch cheese), Lozenge (capsule) shape, moved in an arching movement. No sound. Fin ontop.

Case Ref : SG/2/98 :

Date : 16.1.98.
 Time : 12.30 p.m.
 Location : M27 North bound, J6.
 Description : object at base of clouds, heading from Winchester to Southampton. Disc-shaped (like 2 flat bottomed dishes rim to rim). No wings, markings or fins. White in color.

Case Ref : SG/3/98 :

Date : 1.2.98
 Time : 19.15 - 20.45 hrs.
 Location : Between Alresford & Kingsworthy, Nr Winchester.
 Photograph : Yes.

Size : Approx. 60ft Dia.
 Altitude : 1,500 ft.

One central, round object and 2 other objects moved in from either side and both circled the main central object and traveled away in opposite directions to which they came from. The 2 smaller objects circled the main object at a distance of no less than 10 meters. Central object turned on its side (like a polo or had a central light). The witness noticed 3 hazy red/orange beams of light on the underside. Object turned back to level plane and disappeared from sight after about 10 - 15 seconds. (Report 2 and 3 reported by the same witness).

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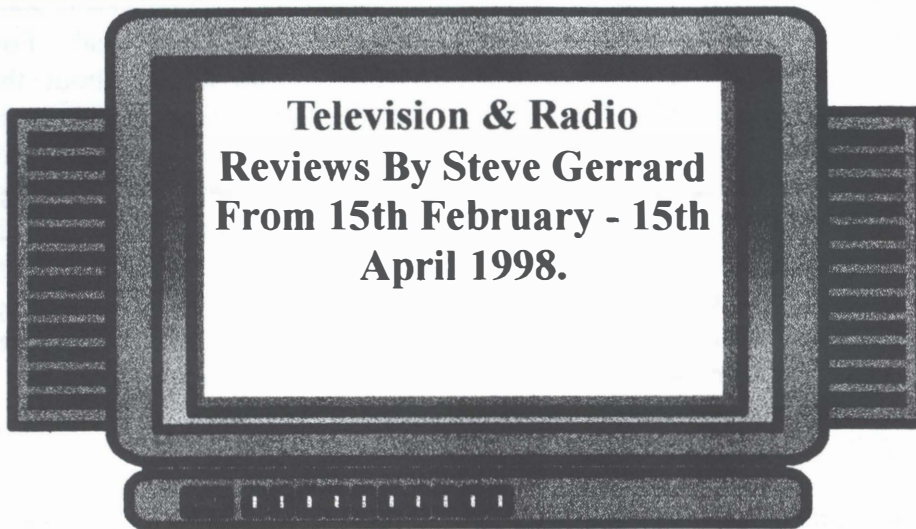
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is convinced that there are such people as M.I.B..... Are You !

3.2.98 : GMTV : Mexican Sightings (15 Mins) :

I missed this one therefore can anyone help with supplying a copy for the archives... Ed...

5.2.98 : CH5 : Espresso : (17 Mins) :

Channel 5 morning program "Espresso" featured yours truly Ernie Sears along with James Millen, Witness Support Group organizer, and abductee, "Alien Encounters" magazine Editor Nina Pendred, and Ellen Jameson, wife of the well known radio presenter Derek Jameson, who often featured Ufology on his radio 2 program.

We all met up at Meridian TV's Southampton studios, in the hospitality room, on the previous afternoon, Tuesday 3rd February, and amid lots of discussion on matters paranormal (Well known local medium Craig Hamilton-Parker was there to do another program) enjoyed the drinks (non - alcoholic !) and such there, Channel Five not a patch on Meridians buffet that I've enjoyed before !

Finally getting the studio call we all trooped off and were soon ensconced on a comfortable settee in a "coffee morning" setup, as the presenter introduced us to viewers and the 17 minutes allocated went quite well, I thought... meeting up with Witness Support Group organizer James Millen was full of coincidences... even his heart bypass etc experiences since I was, and still am, due for mine sometime ! His abduction and missing time incident plus MIB's

Radio Programs :

31.1.98 : BBC Southern Counties Radio with Nigel Campbell :

This was a program, where I had to talk about my 5 favorite possessions. I arrived well in time, and I was put in a 3ft by 3ft sound box, that was like a Turkish sauna. When they tried to link me through to the Guildford studio at 7 p.m., it did not work. For 5 Mins or so the engineer was running around, but connection could not be made. We ran to one of the larger studios, and again, we could not get a connection. After 15 Mins (I was supposed to be interviewed from 7 - 7.30 p.m). I was interviewed over the phone (Which I could of done from home). Unfortunately, the interview only lasted for about 15 - 20 Mins, but I managed to plug the UFO angle, by taking along my favourite book : 'Flying Saucers From Outer Space - Donald H.Keyhoe'.

It was an interesting program, and we talked about a photograph I took along of a Rhino that I have adopted at my local Zoological Park. The presenter then said that he could see why I liked Rhino's, because of their horns, then he said 'Are you just as Horny'.. Well, I rest my case....

But all this aside, it was a very interesting item, and one I am not likely to forget.

Television Programs :

30.1.98 : Fortean Times : MIB :

This opened with the line 'Who are the Men In Black and what is their purpose'. There were a number of clips from the film 'Men In Black' throughout the program and interviews with Jenny Randles. Were Men In Black government agents... It showed the photograph taken by Mr. Templeton, in Carlisle of an alleged alien, and he was interviewed about his alleged 'visit'. He was interrogated at the site and left there by the M.I.B's to make his own way home. Then Nick Pope made an appearance and said that he believed that in the past, he thought colleagues had been sent out to witnesses homes to interview them... In 1997, a Colin Shearer, was visited by 2 M.I.B after reporting the sighting of a Flying Triangle.... Jenny Randles believed that the M.I.B's originated from the 1940's - 50's in America and people have played on their roll to put of people reporting UFO's and she

in earlier years sobering. Nina Pendred was, she said, "fascinated" by the mass of believable material that she received for her magazine but admitted to finding the subject "scary", not having had an actual experience... I told her once she'd overcome the FEAR she'd be OK !... while Ellen Jameson said she'd love to be abducted ! Yours truly briefly mentioned a 1933 OOB, and those sightings in 1977 - 1978, plus opening sequence of that moon eclipse apparent abduction in 1996... time ran out on me for that unfortunately ! All in all quite a good broadcast I thought, no "skeptics" et al to hold up matters, although the presenter probed !

Program reviewed by Ernie Sears.

27.2.98 : GMTV : T.Good & Chris French :

The opening sequence showed an alleged 'UFO' crashing in Roswell recently, and impacts into the ground with a large amount of sparks. The presenter starts to lay into Timothy Good - 'Are aliens on earth or are you just a nut case'. Tim then went on to talk about photos of alleged aliens taken in Puerto Rico in 1980 and Italy in 1993. The presenter kept saying 'They are horrible, get them off the screen'. He then said 'This is a load of Cods Wallop really'. Chris French then said 'This is the time when I want to peel back the face and reveal the green lizard skin'.... The presenter then went back to the footage taken near Roswell and said to Chris French 'Tim is convinced it shows a UFO crashing to earth'. at this point Tim jumped in 'No - not at all - I didn't

say that' - 'It is much likely to be a guided missile' - The presenter was thrown - 'Oh - really'. Chris French went on to say - 'I would have to see the evidence such as an alien body being examined under the right circumstance or an alien artifact / technology'... The presenter ended the interview directed at Tim Good - 'I think you are bonkers'.... Need I say more (Ed)...

9.3.98 : CH4 : For the love of : Alien Abductions :

While "FOR THE LOVE OF... " on Channel Four late on Monday night the 9th March had a VERY interesting all abductee panel of six, including, again, James Millen, and Ros Reynolds and 4 other abductees including Elsie Oakenden. The presenter was quite sympathetic and non- invasive presenter, made this midnight to one am program very fascinating. Several items were mentioned by the alleged abductees that bore out their truth since the one hundred per cent similarities to my own that I have never mentioned in public before offset that phenomenon side effect of "contamination" of the subconscious by material one has read or seen. Since there were very personal, and sometimes humorous, sometimes disturbing, aspects, aired, I thought this program was the best I've ever seen. So "realistic" were the scenarios that I get that "disturbed" feeling each time I watch the video I taped !

Reviewed by E.Sears.

11.3.98 : The Basement :

The same old Nick Pope dribble - his background in the MoD and his acrimonious rise within UFOlogy. He says people have

called him 'The Real Fox Mulder'.... he talked about the Rendlesham Forest incident in 1980 and he is convinced that abductions happen although some of the witnesses are probably just deluded or are suffering from some other things !.. This was yet another book plug... Not worth the film tape it was recorded on !

24th March 1998 :

Did anyone see THIS MORNING on ITV 24th March ? Someone alerted me by phone and I hurriedly pushed the "record" button on my video recorder even if it wiped out another program to find a lively phone in discussion on abductions, with several people relating interesting accounts, mostly somewhat hurried and fragmentary, since the male presenter, Richard Maidley, seemed to be more interested in the sexual aspect than his female counterpart ! To being almost intrusive and certainly not like the normal investigator should behave ! Interesting.. but frustrating, since my state of the art updated video recorder, rented and a recent "swap" for my old one, needs just a little bit MORE than just pressing the "record" button.. idiot ! Running it back and playing it revealed I didn't set the channel too !

Reviewed by Ernie Sears.

**NEW CARTOON FEATURE
STARTS IN THE NEXT
EDITION OF THE
NEWSLETTER.**

**FOR A LIGHTER LOOK AT
UFOLOGY DO NOT MISS
THE MAY / JUNE EDITION .**

YE OLDIE NEWSPAPER REVIEWS BY ERNIE SEARS ESQ.



PSYCHIC NEWS featured "something different" in it's January 10th issue.. an "Alien Musical Comedy" ! The review called it a serious look in musical comedy format at Alien Invasion, ET Communications, and Abductions, purposely presented in a jovial setting, along with song and dance. The play opens at Blackpools Grand Theater on March 29th and goes on tour to Norfolk and Kent in the summer with it's West End debut booked for September 7th at the Players Theater in Villiers Street. Hmm ! watch out for it.

THE TIMES of Saturday 6th February featured a long letter on testing the evidence for the paranormal following an article on the late Helen Ducan, well known medium from Portsmouth who died after being confined to prison following a police raid after she had been accused of "witchcraft" (!) during the last war, producing evidence of "dead" sailors from a sunken warship months before the Admiralty admitted the ship had been lost. Sound familiar ? No

excuse from me for this... the paranormal enfolds such as UFO's etc in it's own way as some of us have found. Author Whitley Strieber for one !

THE TELEGRAPH for a date in February had book reviews of The Dreamland Chronicles, The Legends of Area 51, and Alien Base, Earths Encounters with Extraterrestrials, the latter by Timothy Good, and the Sirius Mystery, New Scientific Evidence for Alien Contact 5,000 years ago, by Robert Temple, illustrated by a "horror comic " style still from "This Island Earth" (1956) in Paul Devereux and Peter Brookesmith's UFO's and UFOlogy, The First Fifty Years. The main thrust of critics Jonathan Sale and Adrian Berry is cynicism and ignoring the facts. Having just read "When the Sky Fell", by sheer "coincidence" (?) a present from an ex-healing patient living in Canada, the facts show that mankind, in some form or another, much of it very advanced, was around at varying eras, take your choice from 9,500 BC, 30,000 BC or even 50,000 BC. Successive civilizations overturned to begin again by the tilting of the earth's axis after changing climates melted the ice-caps.

DAILY TELEGRAPH of 12th February connects with the foregoing... a Mars Orbiter photo suggests a huge river caused the now dried up canyon of Nanedi Vallis and supplements evidence by the Pathfinder lander of massive floods on Mars up to FOUR BILLION YEARS AGO !

Ample time for civilizations to come and go, elsewhere ?

SUNDAY TELEGRAPH for the 22nd February had a small item on two Weymouth traffic police officers who radioed for assistance after spotting a 'bright light' in the sky, only for coastguards to tell them that the "UFO" was the planet Venus, low in the sky ! Who CAN you trust nowadays ? Or how dare they pinch the MoD's standard answer to sightings !

SOUTHERN DAILY ECHO (23rd February) did us proud.. or did it ? (Also see editorial)... with a front page plus feature on "Mystic Merlin from Bristol", clad in suitable gear, who is forming a new political party for the next election, The Alien Visitors Party. An election manifesto includes votes for children ! The lad, real name George Vernon, toured local Eastleigh looking for supporters ! It is NOT true that two men in white coats "supported" him !

MAIL ON SUNDAY had a surprising three quarter page in the Financial Section of 1st March on, would you believe, Menwith Hill listening station. Headline said "Cook faces Quiz on Big Brother Spy Net". For more than a decade, said the article the Americans have snooped on every 'Phone, Fax, and E-Mail message in the world' ! The system, known as Echelon, may have pinched advantageous business secrets for, guess who, our transatlantic cousins ! Foreign Sec. Robin Cook is due to stand up in the European Parliament to make his

excuses ! Further... don't we KNOW this ?... it is the NSA that oversees, 'routinely', it says, all information via Menwith Hill to Fort Meade in Maryland, USA ! With links at GCHQ in Cheltenham ! Hmm !

DAILY TELEGRAPH of 4th March had a almost a full page headed "ET, please Call Sydney" (Australia) along with a computerized buildup of what might be called "alien life", "Pudds" ! Quotes include 'if first contact is to occur. The average civilization out there must be a lot older than ours' ! and... 'Life is not a miracle, it is a statistic' ! New book "Greenworld" by science writer Dougie Dixon relates all this, and more ! Another same page article tells us "Scientists have discovered antigravity".. something Albert Einstein postulated then later rejected. See previous paragraph that other civilizations might be older, ergo ? Cleverer, even more moral (not difficult !) than ours... so....

DAILY TELEGRAPH of 6th March has front page picture e.t.c. on that "water on the Moon" discovery, with eager plans to explore space, using the lunar minerals and liquid for bases.. no doubt countries flags, missionaries, double glazing salesmen etc etc, are readying their plans too ! Before you all get too excited, NASA poured cold water (ouch !) on all this a few days later.... early days to say how beneficial or accurate all this is !

DAILY TELEGRAPH came up with the next bit, the

"doomsday" scenario that made the front page, on the 13th March.... a FRIDAY too if you are prone to walk under ladders with your fingers crossed or such ! Yes, 'tis that massive asteroid heading our solar system way.. estimated to arrive "somewhere" in the vicinity, give or take 30,000 miles or so, any impact would be on Thursday, October 26th, 2028 at 6.30 pm GMT ! Now, apart from the FACT that yours truly shouldn't be here by then... I'd be 103 years old then !.. so why should I bother... THIS intrigues me 'cos for YEARS and YEARS we've had "messages" via whatever medium, channeling etc (I've got fifty pages on my computer let alone sixty years of knowledge and study, and seven thick notebooks of stuff from that "other side" ! and from those so-called "aliens" giving us warnings of a cataclysmic disaster) Some think that's the reason for all this "cloning" of abductees etc so that "survivors" can begin again somewhere... who knows too the intentions behind our own "cloning" programs.. or the sudden interest in Mars and the Moon... not forgetting those underground facilities that persist in showing their hidden secrets ! Ah, well ! no one can say we DON'T live in "exciting times" !

DAILY MAIL of Friday March 13th... not superstitious eh ?.. has good sized space devoted to a daft question on crop circles answered by, who else, Jenny Randles.. blames "crop artists" playing to the crowds, little doubt, she says, that ALL these complex shapes are hoaxes ! Hey, Jenny, you should have been with

me and American researcher Minnie at Avebury stone circle two years ago on a cold March day when we joined at my "favorite" stone and tapped some powerful "energy" that I personally thought was going to levitate us ! Partly from the clear sky and partly centered IN that huge monolith ! MY SECOND such there ! The first one alone so had no witness ! An "energy" that "others" more developed than us could conceivably use ?

SOUTHERN DAILY ECHO.. our very own "local", carried a curious item on it's back page "Stop Press" column : Seems USA Vice President Al Gore has 'instructed' NASA to 'put a satellite in space for the first time to broadcast live video pictures of Earth 24 hours on the Internet and Television ! Does he know something and aint telling ? Is that aimed at the Millennium period ? What could the satellite pick up ? Curious, as I said.

DAILY TELEGRAPH .. and others ! Relax ! That vast meteorite that made the scary headlines is said to be further away than originally estimated ! Not 30,000 miles but 60,000 miles, so says NASA and astronomical organizations ! Any connection with the foregoing item ? Answers and ideas please !

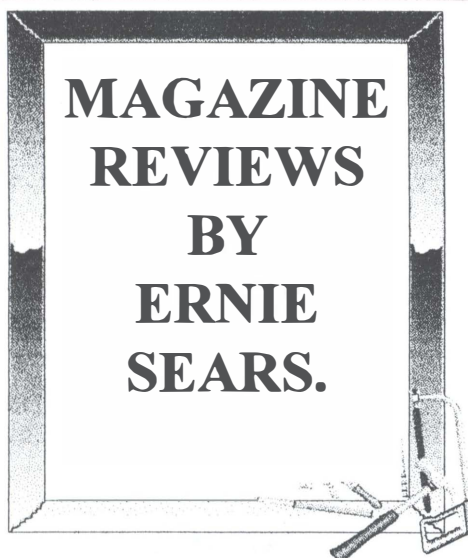
**NEXT EDITION TAKES A
LOOK AT THE CH 5 SCI-FI
WEEKEND ON 4TH - 5TH
APRIL....**

Only 14 mags this month !
Never mind, here goes with :

ENIGMA :... the smallest of the lot but no way the least.. Paul Vigay's Issue 15 with an intriguing Editorial concerning stuff like The Shift, The Awakening, New Age, etc, and 'is "time" speeding up' ? Nah ! Think it's anyone's guess.. mine is "advanced age" creeping on ! Mine, not yours ! Paul reckons to declare 1998 the year of Awareness... I did, too, in 1960, 1977, 1978, and yeah, NOW ! 'cos many are fed up with the world ! Excellent crop circle section (1997 a 'bumper' year - or should we say 'crop' - Ed).. latest anti-gravity discoveries.. ditto on those Black Holes... CIA Cover-up disclosed, no change there !... world meditation for January '98 ! (Oops - a bit late there folks - ED)... late publication kibosh that !... a weird "tick in the night" for Paul, unsolved !... good UFO sightings roundup incl. alleged Space Shuttle near miss... PAGES of another "New World Order" system... Open Right to Know letter to Blair by Paul.. will our PM contact MoD, MI5, DI55, e.t.c ?... or reply, NO DEFENSE SIGNIFICANCE' or just 'NO DEFENSE' ?

Magazine is £8 for 4 issues and well worth it, from 104 Manners Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, Hampshire, PO4 0B6.

SKYWATCHERS is the Cornwall UFO Research Group, issue 18, improved style once again. That Bob Dean video showing.. Cerealogist Editor Anne Brocklehurst talk... Derek Brown's Historical



UFOlogy.. President Reagan's comments to the USSR on SDI technology and purpose !.. sighting reports.. interview by Michael Lindemann with Jim Marrs on Jim's new book "Alien Agenda", provocative !.. Elaine Darlington's musing on good or evil, positive or negative, e.t.c, views on abductions, invites answers ! Mine's gone already !.. Sept. 1997 pursuit of UFO by TEN French Mirage jets, Air Force keeps mouth SHUT !... Pages of "statistical analysis" does NOTHING for ME, speculation !... "Calendar of Curiosities".. see last comment ! Still worth buying at £12 for 6 copies per year from 24 Carrine Road, Truro, Cornwall, TR1 3XB.

SKYLINK... issue 21 from the London UFO Studies... very good package, not just 'cos yours truly has his 1997 letter in it !... Londoner Nick Pope does a lightweight piece... Chris Martin's personal sightings and on video too !... Sighting reports in large format interesting, is Roy Lake planning 25,000 people to march on Westminster ? Probably not !... but more urgent than fox hunting, BSE, pesticides,

e.t.c., eh ?.. Pyramids article by Len Farra, plenty of apparent "evidence" for really ancient pre-civilizations, no mention of Atlantis origins ?... Dear Old Malc. Robinson on the advantages of hypnotic regression, hope Kevin McClure gets a copy !... more hypothetical words in article by Sheridan Lane, on non-humans, us, world responsibility (or lack of !)... "visitors" sharing our world, poor devils !... poetic concluding paragraph but prefer the one about leaving the ignorant closed mind in blinkers behind ! Do we have a choice ? Terry Spurlings book and group magazine reviews.... SUFOG (ours !) gets praise OF COURSE ! Interesting UFO sighting report in some detail from August 1997, three pages but apparently "anonymous" author ! UFO KENTS's 1997 Conference report... another, at Butlins Hotel at Cliftonville booked for 3rd / 4th October 1998. A "stigmata" bearer lecture's at Walthamstow, 22nd May... on that Third secret of Fatima, extraterrestrial theology with startling video and photo evidence. Magazine smartly produced as ever, like its simple but effective cover.. Where Roy hides subscription rates beats me, but its a "non-profit" thing so... try 10A Tudor Road, Barking, Essex, IG11 9RX.

ALIEN ENCOUNTERS a well produced glossy, sports good cover and coverage too... Editor Nina Pendred asks pertinent Editorial questions on the enigma of UFO's and crop circles.. "Oldest Man In Space" claim of John Glenn tickles my humor.. but he beats me at 76 by two years ! Think about it ! Or catch up with my lecture points ! Pages of

"WAS ROSWELL "ALIEN" A MONKEY" ? and those alleged Nazi early UFO's... first of a regular column by Nick Redfern shows determination to speak his mind !... the implant controversy ongoing.... sneak preview of that BIG Nevada UFO Conference, seven days on nonstop action, watch future issues... weird UFO photos and ET too, your solutions, opinions, sought by Alien Encounters.. splendid interview of Michael Lindemann's disclosures by Tim Coleman, 'scientists' and 'Governments' preparing for future hand on heart truths on the UFO enigma, Mars, etc etc, says Michael, the Red Planet photos "sat on" for two more years !.. very good "Opinion" and "Letters" sections... Abduction Myth article by Christopher Kenworthy mercifully short !.. although he claims missing time experiences !... much MORE on Adamski's photos, etc..... big "review" section.. wholly a good package for £2.99 in the better shops. \order it to be SURE !

OVNI ... and a cheery bright yellow cover ! The new bi-monthly issue, at still a quid a time too ! Positive thinking all the way from Omar Fowler with 'We believe in the free exchange of UFO information' heading the Editorial page, and an item on the Duke of Edinburgh's felicitations on receiving a copy of the PRA's updated booklet on that Flying Triangle mystery. More East Anglian Flying Triangle's reported, one from the UFO Awareness Group of Waterlooville, Hampshire, Feb. 97.... a long look at those Gulf Breeze 1952-86 sightings... a historical and legendary look at the Guatemala UFO presence over

many years... even Christopher Columbus reported 'em in 1492 although a book on Atlantis which I received from Canada, via a strange set of circumstances says HE 'wasn't the first' ! Frankly, the more you learn, the least you know ! Ovni's Tale Enders page features more Flying Triangle's, crop circles, Mars "tracks", Big Brother etc. From 94 The Circle, Sinfin, Derby, DE24 9H.

UFO MAGAZINE is the racy American one, cover fastooned with those big eyed greys, "shopping" in an alien supermarket ! Inside too ! Brain washing ? Fancy a luxury seven day cruise with experts in paranormal phenomenon ? Those Americans have it sewn up ! Humans only please says the ad ! Thoughtful editorial. Articles include UFO "Conspiracy" Congress.. Maury Island hoaxer linked with JFK assassination !... Nine top scientists say UFO's worthy of study... Britain's Robin Cole and GCHQ and East Anglia October 1996 incident spotlighted... New Roswell movie "Arbiter Roswell" features 'THE FACTS' !... Space War lasers... "Beyond Roswell" gets a panning !... adverts include Hostile Paranormal Defense course !.. Official UFO greeting Cards.. see our Editor for access to this mag.

UNSOLVED UFO SIGHTINGS. another American product, well printed, Editor Timothy Beckley Green "On The Trail" of "walk-ins".. Bentwaters Cover-up.. Secret bases.. Rendlesham Forest again.. earth science and alien technology... The Great Lakes "Triangle" mysteries... Lake Erie "eerie" UFO Photo.. That "Ashtar Command" again and their Project World Evacuation !... Peru's

ongoing UFO problem.. no one is safe ! Those "walk-ins" again here in 'thousands' ! see Steve for prices etc.

"DOWN TO EARTH" covers the activities of the Essex and London UFO Network.. phew !... hence force ELUFON !February '98 issue has an interesting cover of a night sky background.. "Mexican Summer" headlined a not unique multi witness two sightings over East London.. so why the heading ? I must be getting blasé ! 'Photos taken' but only drawings herewith. Pity. Roy Dutton on that "Wash" UFO or whatever in 1996 says definite links with his technical work that "predicts" and / confirms craft... keep a it, lad !... book reviews by Malcolm Robinson praises "Beyond Roswell" ! Jenny Randles "Alien Contact... the first fifty years" gets approval too.. "Secret Societies" opened Malc's eyes... Your SUPPOSED to keep 'em SHUT, how else do they stay secret ?... Wiltshire crop circles visited by Roy Hales.. The Rise of Other Intelligence's by Edward Joseph is an in depth gripping suggestion of how to create a new knowledge to link with universal matter and those aliens.. well, you KNEW that didn't you ?.. more on crop circles.. around the world with UFO news... cover up indoctrination by the media and "others".. etc etc. Well worth the £2.95 per issue or £15 for six plus group benefits. From Roy Hale, 21 Sparrow Green, Bull Lane, Dagenham, Essex, RM10 7EU.

UFO MAGAZINE is Graham Birdsall's former "Quest" ditto and in very robust health

too.. 'Worlds best-selling UFO publication' it claims.. probably !... and .. "The Truth Is Out There".. and HERE too Graham ! Contents include Tony Dodd's rebuttal of Susan Blackmore's "by products of natural manifestations solution".. wish she'd make up her mind or solve any ONE of the ten pages of incidents I'd encountered that she received some two or three years ago, then I could pack it all in ! Sixty years is enough ! Think 'curious' was all she could say ! Heard Tony Dodd has retired from being a public UFO speaker.. heard also he was the BEST at last years Dorchester conference in spite of illness. 'course ! Speaks the TRUTH ! Too bad if one is blinded by the narrow field of science or even FEAR ! Elsewhere.. Keyhoe's historical book.. still got my paperback !.. and so much MORE in this class mag. that space defeats me ! The price of the mag. is £2.25 .. you DO get a lot for your money.. try as I might can't find any other subs details but head office is Quest Publications Ltd, Wharfebank House, Wharfebank Business Center, Ilkley Road, Otley, West Yorkshire, LS21 3JP.

MALTA UFO RESEARCH, January issue, slim neatly printed, and after two years is even looking to organize a Regional Mediterranean UFO Conference.. thus we out here are made aware of the strength of UFO interest in that area. Front page UFO reports include one from the Bavarian Alps, January 1998, of a giant rotating lights disc which followed a car for miles before 'zipping away' ! While Planetary SETI Research in the USA met up with NASA Officials last November at

which NASA's exploration of the Cydonia region of Mars was now their official policy... the SETI representatives urged faster release of high resolution films of the "face" and those 12 "small mounds" which cannot be explained by conventional geography ! Magazine address P.O Box 14, Rabat RBT 01, Malta... no price.

THE CROPWATCHER gets us back to "earth" with its well produced format although those "SHADO" operations in Wiltshire by one "ED Straker" didn't amuse me since my memory is pretty good.. a waste of space.. we can make our OWN jokes up but UFO's and CROP CIRCLES are SERIOUS BUSINESS ! Fortunately the rest of the magazine concentrates on getting at what MIGHT be the truth ! Terence Meaden writes to confirm he sticks to his "vortex" theory, electrical charged vortices, magnetic fields, et al.. which contains good scientific basics but ignores, as usual, the speed of formations under the very eyes of watchers and equipment, the more complex formations he dismisses as man-made, though. Maybe SOMEONE could tell me why Doug and Dave gave the papers all details of where, when and how they formed their hoax circles yet were NEVER, to MY knowledge, charged with the huge damage caused. Any genuine answer might stop me asking in the future ! exposure of those Romanian circles doesn't tell us much by way of the photos, but at least they are investigated, even if Cropwatchers "expert" says 'animal feeders'. Busty Taylor to give up talks we are told... with a question mark. Will be sadly missed if so and those

magnificent photos are a legend that should linger forever... "solutions" notwithstanding. Subs are still £1.50 per issue to 3 Selborne Court, Tavistock Close, Romsey, Hampshire. SO51 7TY. Published by Fast Track Publications, 11 Pound Hill, Avening, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, GL8 8LZ, quarterly.

THE RESEARCHER ... the nicely printed publication of the Merseyside Anomalies Research Association.. like their "motto" from somewhere or other "Interpretation is free, experience scared" and their Latin phrase "Terra incognito" which translated, fortunately for ME means "unknown territory". A classy magazine... contains "UFO's over Anglican Cathedral", "Fighting the Secrecy War", "An urban Myth", recent hauntings... 'cos this organization is into the whole bag of the paranormal, with the accent on those UFO's, ... the "black oval object" seen by various witnesses that 'rose out of the River Mersey' for instance in July 1996 ! etc.. Although the organization has existed for some 30 months this is their first magazine issue.. worth looking forward too .. nostalgic too for me 'cos Liverpool etc was one of my old stamping grounds in my wartime RAF service ! So Wallasey, Meols, West Kirby, etc, and Warrington, Newton le Willows, Wigan etc, might figure in future issues ! They also have a Witness Support Group up there too ! Info from Mark Glover, 12 Buckingham Close, Ford, Bootle, Liverpool, L30 2PL.

SKYWATCHERS represents the Cornwall UFO Research Group..

issue 18 bang up to date for 1998... nicely printed..contains Derek Brown's "Historical UFO History", Michael Lindemann's interview with journalist Jim Marrs on ET presence here riveting, Elaine Darlington's Comparison of Abductees and Contactees positive and negative attitudes a controversial talking point... Statistical Analysis over my head I'm afraid !... and Calendar of Curiosities wasted space I thought ! Other than that, well worth adding to your explorations ! £12 a year for 6 copies, £2 single, from 24 Carrine Road, Truro, Cornwall, TR1 3XB.

THE CALLER we've had before, the brain child of the Jersey UFO Research Team.. contents include "camera biggest lie of all"... Zone talks very interesting with Ian Gould's coverage of sightings in the Bristol Channel area and Corfe (?) Taunton (?) and the Newport Chepstow regions... thought Corfe and Taunton were Dorset and Somerset respectively ?... good detailed history of French G.E.P.A.N. Government backed UFO organization which "pulled the plug" in succeeding years, surprise surprise !...next magazine issue looks promising, big changes, improvements, they hope, concentrating more on "news". Tv progs, books reviewed, magazines on the shelves, more "openness of mind, opinions of others" etc etc, skywatch dates etc etc. The magazines prices are "package details", from £20.00 down to £8.00, from six issues that can include "UFO MAGAZINE" and bonus issue down to just the six issues, or £2 each copy, from : 14

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Extra Special Magazine Review **by Ernie Sears.**

Pride of place this issue must SURELY go to Kevin McClure's ABDUCTION WATCH NO.6, subtitled "Recovered Memory & Hypnosis Special" ! Since Kev. joins a hardly glittering, infamous array of similar people over the years of the UFO enigma, such as Phillip J.Klass, Susan Blackmore, Stuart Campbell, et al, whose modus operandi is to change, distort, ignore the facts and, in passing, throw away the baby with the proverbial bathwater ! Kevin begins this issue of his neatly printed 6 pager by hoisting his flag emblazoned with the words "septic" and "debunker", by saying ... and I quote : 'If I'm right, and there never has been a single, enforced act of abduction of a human being by an alien, non-human being, the belief in abduction has left some very confused people out there !'

For the remainder of his quite normal, and biased, diatribe, Kevin snipes, again and again, at the perils of "hypnotic regression" etc.. which I would not deny ! ... but abandons those of us who have NEVER had such techniques administered but who can, in typical abductee fashion, remember, when "something" unexpectedly jogs their memory... the proportion of whom vastly outnumber the ones who seek regression... although this does not invalidate such by any means ! My own experiences, for example, date from the 1930's, have been overlaid by those "screen memories" that I eventually came to know about in recent

years.

"Light Dawned" and brought into view formerly hidden items that surrounded those incidents which continued until the present day... explaining such things as a deep scar on my left wrist which I could mistakenly recall as having a knife thrown at me at school, warding it off with my arm, and recalling a deep V-shaped piece of flesh which did not bleed (!) neither did I need medical treatment nor school teachers involvement (which would have been necessary and natural) and so on... In the last few years I've sat up in shock at reading exactly similar incidents in abductee stories. Or the similarly vague memory of visiting a "fire station" in the town or Romsey, Hampshire, in and around the seventies, following several close encounters of "craft", and being "shown around" along with my then wife, followed by being taken into another large area where many many "fishtanks" were recalled, stacked on top of each other like a giant filing system. Each contained one "fish", each had a "pipe" with "bubbles" gently and quietly discharging into the water. Nothing else was recalled. Not until reading David Jacobs "Alien Encounters" about two or three years ago, those vague memories troubling me occasionally with an "uneasy" feeling that I OUGHT to be able to remember more, did I learn about what he called the "incubariums" where "hybrid" fetuses were nurtured.

Sheer logic told me, disturbingly, that there was no way a "fire station" would also possess an aquarium ! A check to eliminate or confirm such was made with friends who live at

Romsey right opposite the fire station. No such aquarium existed there nor had it ever !

Other events have gradually come to light and seen to be one hundred per cent similar to others I was learning about. As I said, "disturbing" at first but it wasn't long before they were coming at me, so thick and fast, that I realized.. hopefully correct !, that no harm had ever been done to me ! I had even "become" a spiritual healer in 1979, going into an involuntary "trance" in the presence of fortunately knowledgeable witnesses, after the previous years close encounters which I recall included being "taken" up into the sky.. obviously a "missing time" phenomenon although not recognized at the time.

Genuine and "real" abductees etc will concur with the foregoing, since I realize I am just one of many many thousands worldwide. "Comforting" somehow. Since the vast majority of my experiences took place long before our known prejudices would ALLOW us to even THINK of "occupants" who might be in the craft we were seeing ! Thus, I now understand about "contamination".

Returning to Kevin McClure's assertions, I note he again suggests that abductees could be suffering from childhood "abuse" memories. In some case maybe so. I, however, do know that my childhood was free of such, I had caring and loving parents, who also taught me discipline. The horror of such child abuse I can agree with Kevin on ! I do not understand it !

However, Kevin also denies that

such things as missing or interrupted "pregnancies" ever existed, since he further alleges that there is no "medical evidence" of same ! I guess I must just be more widely read and have a more inquiring mind than he does !

'Without the use of recovered memory techniques' there would be no alien abduction phenomenon, Kevin goes on to assert ! There must be a roar of cynical laughter, both planetary and cosmic, at that ! He banishes in a short sentence Betty and Barney Hills as one of a few "freak" examples ! Ignores completely the Betty Andreasson in depth case... of which I can claim one very significant similarity... among 'many other people', according to a recent letter to me from author Raymond Fowler !

"Mine happened, as ALL of them do, long before I read about them in connection with others. They did not, perforce, and as Kevin McClure again dismisses without studying the evidence, derive from the 'media friendly, recovered memory accounts of which anyone with an interest in the subject is inevitably, unavoidably, aware' ! Unquote !

Since I am nobody "special", I logically surmise that, again, I am only one of those thousands I have since learnt about. This had made me very aware, and is the subject content of the book I have nearly finished writing over some years, that the enigma is vast, awesome, a huge jigsaw that the human species is largely unaware of. One reason why Governments cannot, at least not yet, disclose the TRUTH... which I feel sure they are aware of but have no way of telling us, having backed

themselves into a corner after years and years of denying the evidence of our sight, sound and senses !

On at least two occasions twixt 1960 and 1978 I have watched RAF fighters vainly pursue "objects", once in broad daylight and once at night, said objects just "vanished", while a strong and definite denial from the airbase sources to inquiry from me within ten minutes only served to set me on the path even more grimly determined !

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NEWS FLASH !

From The Witness Support Group I recently discovered on a Channel Five broadcast that I was on, in February, comes a rather provocative extract from a recent talk by Nick Pope concerning another book he is being "allowed" to write by his MoD employers. Nick told his audience at Westminster University, London, no less, that the book will be released in two years time (Millennium connections ?) and will concern the MoD's Defense Contingency plans and provisions that will be 'put in place in the case of a known Alien presence on this Planet' !

He added this qualification that it would be only a 'semi-fictional book' but forgot to add that the MoD do not make "semi-fictional plans" and arrangements to counteract what he, and everybody else involved in this subject, understand to be of "Extreme Defense Significance".

James Millen of the WSG adds that he will keep us posted on this one !

Ernie Sears.

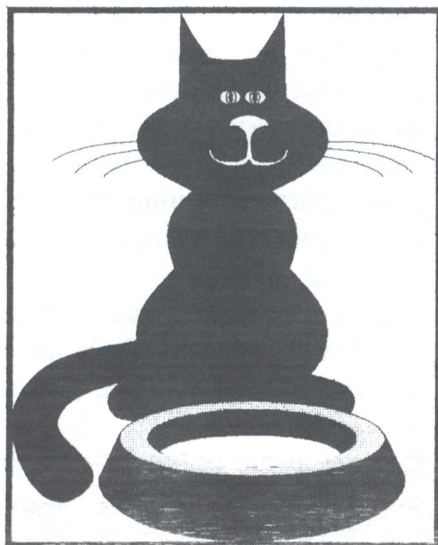
SHADOW SQUAD (OR THE S.S - S* STIRRERS).**

Over the years, I have received many many weird, wonderful and crap things through the post, and this is one of those things. I do not intend to write much about it, but just to say, if any other group has had anything from the 'Shadow Squad', then I would like to know (especially postage marks on envelopes etc). The basic aim appears to fire a broadside at someone called Tim HEPPLER (Does anyone out there know this chap), but most of all, we get the full life history of Eric Morris, editor of the magazine 'Intelligence'. Well, I am not saying any more, but, my file 13 folder is getting more and more full with crap and trash like this. If 'Shadow Squad' are reading this article (No doubt they will get hold of a copy somehow), could you (1) take me off your mailing list, (2) send the 20p stamp to the RSPCA, and (3), I am employed by Hampshire Police and I am a part-time Special Constable, so does this make me a 'Government Agent'??

The Case of the Mystery Cat continues....

Following on from the last edition of the newsletter, it appears that another **BIG** cat has been sighted in Hampshire. The Southampton Echo of 28th January carried the story of a big cat, sighted on the 27th January at around 09.30 am, that ran faster than a greyhound, was longer than a dog and far bigger than any cat. It appears that a year ago, a similar animal was seen just 2 miles away from this sighting near

the edge of the New Forest. The article also went on to say that another sighting, by a commuter from Bournemouth, reported seeing a large black cat-type creature disappearing into a wood near the A35 as he drove past Bransgore on his way to Southampton, also on the 27th January 98. In the Southampton Echo on January the 30th (coincidentally, IT WAS MY BIRTHDAY ON THIS DATE.....), a couple, on the 25th January, were driving past a naval establishment, when witnesses saw a large animal bounding across the round in front of them. It was described as a huge black cat, with a long tail waving above it (Sounds like Mrs. Jones has over fed Tiddles again !). According to the owner of a zoo on the Isle of Wight, said that the animal has probably been on the loose for years. He said that the public should not panic, as the cats are highly unlikely to attack people, and will run away. Personally, there seems to be more and more of sightings of big cats up and down the country, and who knows what lurks in the forests and the moorlands of this country... We will keep you posted. (Steve Gerrard....)



THE MYSTERY OF THE BLACK TRIANGLES.

What Is Coming Over Us ?


BUFORA Chairman John Spencer, has pointed out that, unlike ghosts and associated phenomena, which have probably remained little changed in 2,000 years, UFOlogy is an evolving subject. The blond *Nordics* of the 1950s warning of the perils of nuclear bombs, have given way to the sinister *Greys* of the 1990s, with hints of genetic cross breeding. Those researchers not engrossed in Roswell corpses and abductees, have noticed a new type of UFO. The shapes and sizes of UFOs have always been diverse, but what was new were the *Silent Vulcans* seen over Belgium in late 1989 and on into 1990. (UFOS A Deadly Concealment by Derek Sheffield (1996) goes into some detail on the Belgium flap. Sheffield's book was reviewed by Jenny Randles in *UFO TIMES* Issue No. 43) These have given way to an assortment of black triangles and wedge-shaped craft currently being reported over the UK by most UFO editors. Graham Birdsall, editor of *UFO MAGAZINE* was probably one of the first to pick up on these strange craft. Were they *black budget* advanced aircraft such as *AURORA* using the extra-long runway at RAF Machrihanish? Can a wedge-shaped aircraft sometimes described as the size of a football pitch hover with very little noise? sounds unlikely! *AWARENESS* published by Contact International UFO Research regularly lists such reports, with illustrations of four triangles on the cover of Vol.21

No.1. In No.3, there is a report of a silent triangle flying slowly and silently over Halden Hill South of Exeter at an estimated 200 feet, on 7 August 1996. There were two bright lights on the back edge and if it had been an aircraft, then it was flying backwards ! SKYSEARCH magazine, edited by Shaun Carr of Saltdean (the quality of which now rivals BUFORA's UFO TIMES) keeps up to date and its Autumn 1996 issues carries a 3-page article headed RETURN OF THE TRIANGULAR CRAFT. This includes a similar report a 3 am on 7 August but seen from the car park of a Brighton hospital. When overhead a low humming sound was heard and the report implies that the craft was flying sharp-end forward on an East to West line. BUFORA has a research project dedicated to this aspect of the mystery. UFO TIMES has carried a number of related reports, including a red object seen in the Old Trafford area of Manchester on 8 February 1996 which was described by Steve Mera in Issue 43. Issue 44, Dec/Jan/Feb. 1997 outlines a report from Whitley Bay on 18 Nov. 1996 investigated by Gloria Dixon, and the Southport Case of 24 Feb. 1996, described by Anthony Eccles who says that for a few months this object was seen over a greater part of the North West of England. I have noticed that a good few reports have come from people experienced in aircraft recognition. Omar Fowler, late of SIGAP, and who now runs the Phenomenon Research Association in Derbyshire, has published an A4 booklet of 24 pages on the reports and characteristics of the Triangles. It is entitled The FLYING

TRIANGLE MYSTERY (1996) and confirms the strangeness of these machines. The Ministry of Defense office in the Main Building in Whitehall (Air Staff 2A), that dealt with UFO reports from the public, has recently changed its policy. This could be due to the probing activities of Nick Redfern, Richard Conway and Matthew Williams in the Public Records Office at Kew, plus an increasing volume of mail from concerned UFOlogists. The bottom line is that you will not get much change out of Air Staff 2A, MoD, if you mention the word 'UFO', and giant dark flying wedges and triangles appear to fall into this category.

Lionel Beer

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As editor of SUFOG's newsletter, I am often receiving personal reports / encounters. I was recently sent the following two reports, which both happened in Wiltshire..... Read on...

Strange Luminosity's Witnessed at Cherhill, Wiltshire in 1993.

During our 'crop circle trek' in 1993, four of us chanced upon some strange lights in the sky. On Saturday 7th August we ventured up to the summit of Cherhill above the White Horse to the Iron Age ramparts known as Oldbury Castle. The view was stunning and we found ourselves asking the 'circlemakers' for a formation in the fields below. That night we sat around our campsite gazing up at a cloudy sky. An Hercules transport plane passed overhead and for some strange reason it had, what looked like, a searchlight beam aimed UP into the clouds !

About five minutes later Nigel called our attention to the summit of Morgans Hill in the near distance, where we saw two white lights just above the crest of the down. These two lights, one of which was blinking on and off, began to move slowly and smoothly towards Cherhill (i.e. from right to left), hugging the hilltop as they went. After a few seconds they merged into one light which subsequently seemed to lose altitude and drop down below the summit. It was in front of the hill and therefore still visible and as it continued on its course from right to left it started to dim somewhat. Then a second light suddenly blinked on behind it and started to move in the same direction. Four of us watched intently as this second light caught up with the first one, merged with it and then disappeared. The next morning we were delighted to find a stunning formation beneath the Cherhill White Horse.

After writing up this account later at home, I read it aloud to Nigel but he argued the fact that the lights had been moving in the opposite direction to what I saw. Unable to agree, Nigel decided to set down his own account before asking our two friends exactly what they had witnessed that night. "I first saw, what appeared to be an aircraft with its tail light blinking on and off, coming in low over Morgans Hill from the North East and the general direction of Cherhill. The two lights merged together as if the object was turning towards us and at this point it descended, remaining motionless for a few seconds before blinking off and on a few times. The light seemed to be on, or very close to, the western side of Morgans Hill - too close in fact and certainly too low for an aircraft. Fascinated now, I watched as the light moved in a southerly direction (i.e. left to right) for about five seconds before it stopped still and blinked again. Another light suddenly 'came on' at the point where the first had paused five seconds earlier and they were quite some distance apart. The second light began to move towards the first and they seemed to merge together before blinking off. The whole maneuver lasted for about two minutes, both lights gradually getting fainter up until the time of their disappearance'.

Without saying why and with no prompting, Nigel sought out Simon and Chris and asked them to describe what they had seen that night. When Chris began to explain how the lights appeared to move from right to left, Simon it erupted, saying, "No they didn't ! They went the other

way !" Uncanny. How is it possible that four people could watch an aerial display at the same time and place and yet see something different - two males see one thing, two females see another ?

This was first written up as part of a report in *The Sussex Circular*, No. 21, September 1993. I was fascinated to read on page 154 of Michael Hessemann's *Cosmic Connection* that on the night that the Cherhill pictogram appeared two members of the London UFO Study Group, while skywatching on Adams Grave, had filmed a light sphere exactly in the direction of Cherhill. This sphere descended for some seconds in a north-westerly direction out of the sky. Also, a farm worker claims to have seen a light object hovering a field at the same time - 1:20 am.

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'Stationary Light Fan Seen At Eastfield, Wiltshire - 25.8.97'.

ABSTRACT

Tom Trubridge and Paul Hailey were observing from Knap Hill on the night of 25th August 1997. A light, apparently in the hedge in Eastfield about half a mile away, developed a fan-shaped upward directed luminous projection, overall size approximately 10 feet across. The event lasted about five minutes. Next day it was found that the 'hedge' was in fact a drainage ditch, no physical after-effects of the event were visible. Halfway along the ditch, reckoned to be the probable light position, a badger (or fox) set was present, the entrance leading off the ditch, a land drainage pipe end clearly

visible in the cave-like entrance.

This event might support any hypothesis which includes underground springs, collections of underground gases, moisture or other material as a necessary elements in production of luminous events which are seen in the area. The means of light production itself is unknown.

WEATHER

The weather had been dry for two weeks until two days prior to the 25th, when wet weather arrived, together with mist and fog at night. The night of the 23rd produced fine mist, very low visibility at Knap Hill, while the night of the 24th produced fine rain. Rain was persistent on the day of the 24th, while on the 25th, heavy rain in the morning cleared in the afternoon.

The evening of the 25th produced very good night visibility up to 2 am, zero cloud at night with a last quarter moon rising at about 1 am (26th), the wind was a stiff breeze from the north west at Knap Hill, temperature was around 40 - 50 F, no mist or fog.

GEOLOGY OF THE AREA

Knap Hill, the observation point, is part of the chalk hills south of Avebury known as the Pewsey Downs, the ridge consists of 'Upper and Middle chalk'. Eastfield lies in the valley on the edge of these hills which run east - west. The valley is mostly 'Middle chalk', a layer 120 - 150 feet thick - the chalk about 15 inches below topsoil, with outcrops of greensand and marls. The area was glaciated, some flints are to be found, along with clay deposits on Golden Ball hill, adjacent to Knap Hill. The only

known surface spring in the area lies about 1 mile west of the event site, emerging as a pond with a greensand base. The Upper Greensand lava which is around 50 to 80 feet thick lies under the Lower chalk, and surfaces at the spring, and, perhaps significantly, as a wedge close to the event site. The geological map shows that the whole valley locality to the west of the event site is Upper Greensand, while the Eastern part of Eastfield has Lower Chalk on top. The ditch mentioned may drain into the greensand layer to the east where it surfaces.

The general area between Avebury and Warminster is well known (by those with an interest in UFO's) for nocturnal light events of various types. The event took place in the area of map ref 125E625N OS map Swindon & Devizes sheet 173, 1: 50,000 scale.

RELEVANT PRIOR NIGHTWATCHES.

Trubridge and Hailey had watched from the concrete track to the south of Woodborough hill (about 1 mile south of Knapp Hill) on the 24th night, nothing significant was seen. Trubridge felt that presence as observers had been useful to 'link in' with the area.

THE SIGHTING NIGHT - 25TH AUGUST.

The two watchers parked at Knapp Hill car park around 10.45pm, being fully sober and alert. They walked up Knapp Hill and decided to walk over the top to the south east slope which overlooked Tawsmead copse (to the south), to avoid the cold wind. Visibility over distance was

good, but insufficient light was present to locate the Pewsey road, however, the hedge indicating Eastfield from the next field to the east was visible against the lighter field surface. Tawsmead copse was only visible as a dark area, unidentified as such at the time. Woodborough Hill was unidentifiable in the dark.

THE SIGHTING

Elevation was about 200ft at the observing position, compared to Eastfield. During conversation while sitting it was noticed at midnight, that a faint lighted area had appeared in Eastfield, apparently partly obscured by a hedge. This was confusing as there was no hedge known in that position, towards the south east corner of Eastfield. Over a few minutes the light developed a fan (or wedge) shaped protrusion vertically, about 30 degrees of arc wide, as if a torch with a wide beam was present. Trubridge observed with 10 by 40 binoculars, and could see the top of the fan curling over on itself and moving around. Without binoculars, both could see the edges of the fan shape clearly, and the small light at the bottom. After a few minutes the light intensity diminished slowly until invisible.

The light hue was similar to that of incandescent lamps of low power, such as a table lamp with shade. The lit area of the fan seemed of equal intensity throughout its area, the light beneath was slightly brighter. The edges of the 'fan' were obvious.

SOON AFTER THE SIGHTING.

The watchers had not located the Pewsey road as no traffic was

present before the event or until 10 minutes after the event. A car traveling on this road around 12.20 p.m. surprised both watchers by its actual distance, placing the light event about 100 yards closer than the road but further away in total distance than thought. This distance indicated the dimensions of the light event were larger than estimated at the time, probably 10 feet across for the fan, with similar height. Both watchers knew the exact event location due to the 'hedge' line of darkness already mentioned. The moon rose soon after, revealing Tawsmead copse's location and placing the event directly on the line joining the copse and the observers position. The watch was terminated at about 1.10 am.

THE NEXT DAY.

On the morning of the 26th, Hailey observed the event area from the Knap hill car part extension track : he had assumed that all of Eastfield crop (wheat) was harvested. In fact, two rectangles of crop were still present in the area of the event. Both observers visited the event site. The event position in the 'hedge' was revealed as being in a drainage ditch, a 'v' shape about 7 feet wide with a base about 2 feet wide at 3 feet below field surface. The ditch sides and bottom were filled with long grass (no mud). The ditch ran in an east-west direction starting from the Eastfield boundary hedge already mentioned and running into the field for about 200 yards. A swathe about 30 feet wide of crop had been harvested at each side of the ditch, leaving two areas of standing crop, one between the ditch and road, the other to the north. The rest of that end of the

field had been harvested the week before, leaving lines of loosely piled hay, and stubble about 6 inches long.

The ditch was green with long grass, no visible after-effects of the event were found. However, the estimated event position was close to, or at, an unusual physical feature. A badger or fox set entrance, in the side of the ditch and about 18 inches in diameter and as deep into the side, was observed. Dirt from the hole had been piled into a rising slope across the bottom of the ditch, such that an animal could climb the slope onto the field. A clear flattened area of grass about a foot wide led out from this area on both sides of the ditch into the field proper. It was therefore assumed that this set was in current use, even though the crop was mostly harvested. At the back wall of the entrance hole, and projecting about 4 inches from it, was a 4 inch diameter earthenware drainage pipe, effectively two feet under the field surface. It was dry. The harvested field had absorbed the last days of rain and the field surface was dry and firm. It was observed that the ditch was the lowest point of the field in that area, with a definite slope upwards to north and south and west. It was thought possible this area had been a pond or bog, drainage pipes were laid to remove groundwater to the edge of the field. The set itself was dry, the ditch was slightly moist and soft underfoot but not saturated with water.

During the examination of the immediate area of the field, Trubridge found a small piece of clinker or other material, obviously fired at some time. There were also pieces of earthenware on the surface in the

vicinity perhaps from previous broken drainage pipes. No evidence of 'cropcircles' was found. Some areas of standing crop had wind damage (lodging). Photographs of the set entrance and location were taken.

CONCLUSION

The observers felt that the luminous event was not due to human activity - no ambulatory lights or other indicators were seen in that area of Eastfield on the night in question during the observation time from 11.15 p.m. to 1.10 am. Both observers have experience in night watches and particularly in spotting people with torches in fields at night !

Easy viewing of the event from the elevation of Knap Hill, and excellent visibility, had enabled accurate, unobstructed observations. The ditch had been observable as a dark line across the field at event time, the light was in the ditch. Binocular observation supported naked eye observation.

The form of the light, its slow development and subsequent wane in both shape of fan and luminosity precluded a torch or other man-made effect. The fan shape, together with the spatial changes in dimension during observation time, indicated a linear event process. Similar fan-shaped lights have been observed (Deveraux, 1989), but generally of larger dimensions essentially projecting into the sky, from which 'balls of light' can emerge to become 'UFO's'.

GENERAL CONCLUSIONS

This event is felt to give useful pointers to the type of conditions required for generation of luminous events of the 'earthlight' class. Experimental procedures for monitoring this ditch could be set

up, especially with regards to moisture, gas emissions and underground measurements.

POSSIBLE HYPOTHESES

The general opinion of observers is that the origin of nocturnal lights is unknown. Some feel that 'UFO's' are linked with extraterrestrial activity, while others feel that events stem from earth-based physical phenomena. Scientific understanding of any of these events is limited by traditional electromagnetic theory, since the lights have an unidentified energy source and often move very fast. Many people who have had multiple observations of nocturnal luminosity events sense that the lights sometimes act 'as if' they have conscious awareness of the intent of human observers.

Hypothesis regarding links between observer consciousness and such events are desirable, but at this stage the establishment of an active locality for events - to give further understanding - would be required. It is possible that the event site could be one of these. The mechanism for the source of energy producing the visible lights is not understood, neither is the manner in which such lights can move.

POSSIBILITIES

It is felt that these lights may represent an opportunity for scientists to understand a new mode of energy production, while for those with more interest in consciousness, apparent connections between human intent and changes in light activity may enable understanding of the nature of consciousness.

It is not appropriate here to discuss the possible existence of

extraterrestrial ('alien') activity on this planet, or whether such lights represent this activity - neither can it be ascertained scientifically whether the lights represent occurrences of 'fairy' or other earthborne 'spirits'. These are the new and the old traditions respectively of our, and many other, cultures. Indeed, the work of Carl Jung (JUNG) indicate that our conscious awareness is but the tip of a collective 'iceberg' which links all peoples and living beings. If Carl Jung is correct, then we ourselves may be unknowingly helping to form the nocturnal lights, - research on the lights therefore may tell us more about ourselves.

Whatever the source of UFO's and other 'weird' phenomena, we cannot and should not ignore opportunities for person growth or understanding, by witnessing some of these strange and thought-provoking events for ourselves.

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UFO's In China...

Having collected a large collection of press cuttings over the years (currently approx. 10,500 cuttings), I often receive a cutting that stands out from all the others. The Wall Street Journal of 11th November 1997 is no exception. under the headline : 'Maoists for Martians : Here, UFOs Make For Serious Science'. The article looks at the Chinese attitude towards UFOlogy. According to the article, UFOs are a matter of great national importance. The Chinese UFO Research Association receives government grants and it's members include some of the nation's most respected scientists and academics - even Communist Party members. According to the article : 'These enthusiasts aren't merely trying to prove the existence of UFOs : They are attempting to figure out what makes them fly and then harness that power for everyday use in China'. According to Prof. Sun : 'UFO's are faster than any airplane or car and we hope to use the UFO phenomenon to resolve China's energy and efficiency problems'. According to the article, Prof. Sun transformed the nation's UFO association from a science-fiction club, into a national movement with 5,000 members. Chinese Scientist's such as Gao Ge has been trying to build their own UFO's after sighting a UFO themselves. He invisions an ellipsoid with tilt

wings that can take off vertically and move like an alien spaceship, albeit at subsonic speed. He has test flown a wooden prototype, and that someday, with his craft's maneuverability and energy saving 'vortex generator' (a device that creates lift much like a dragonfly wings). He says Beijing Institute has labeled his invention top secret and has banned him from showing even blueprints to outsiders. Another associate member, Ma Ruian, invisions superfast submarines, floating cars and energy-saving ships - all powered by his patented flying globe. It is based on a balloon, with a special release valve and the speed could exceed that of a rocket.

Liu Zhongkai, of the Beijing Meteorological Bureau, is trying to patent a magnetic field that produces as much as a third more energy than it requires to run on. He claims that the magnetic field can alter time. "If you live to be 100 on Earth, in my UFO you will be able to live at least 100,000 years". He says "his self-generating energy machine is what UFOs must use to fly long distances because they can't use gas. It's a simple logic thing".

Obviously this statement begs the question : How do these scientists know what makes a UFO run, since none claims to have ever been inside one. So, are we looking in the wrong direction. By this, I mean, we are constantly looking at what is going on in America at Area 51 and other such sites, but where is China's Area 51 ?

Steve Gerrard (SUFOG).

The Matthew Williams Experience.

After weeks of planning and advertising, the 8th of March had finally arrived. Ticket sales had been somewhat slow (11 sold only), and I had wondered if we were going to have another poorly attended meeting. The gang arrived early to help set up the venue, along with Matthew, who had slept overnight at my house. We had set everything up by 2.15 p.m. and still had 45 Mins to go (Although the Southampton Evening Echo had the times from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m., not 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.). But we managed to cope with the 2 o'clock rush - 3 people and we were ready for anything. People slowly started to arrive, and by 3 p.m. we had 35 people in the hall. Matthews lecture, concerning Rudloe Manor, the government cover-up and his exploits in the tunnels (Gun fire and all) went down really well. During the break we screened the latest video footage to come out of Mexico, and we were still going at 5.30 p.m., 30 Mins over time. Matthew finished his lecture with some very interesting footage from Czechoslovakia. All in all, it was a very successful day.

Ticket Sales : £175.00
Tea/Coffee : £ 2.80
Books etc : £ 11.50

Total : £ 189.30
Expenses : £ 73.70

Club Funds : £ 115.80

Newspaper Cuttings Extra ! by Ernie Sears.

THE SUN of the 17th and 18th March carried double page excerpts from a new book, "ABDUCTED", by author Jean Ritchie.. a not unoriginal title !, the 'astonishing true story of an alien abduction' of an 'ordinary boy' from a 'normal family' in Kent. Living, would you believe, next to an MOD Training Site ! The lad was discovered to have undergone abductions for some 12 years... nothing unusual. The situation is still ongoing and we await the book itself, published by Headline at £16.99.

THE DAILY MAIL followed that on the 21st March with a double page in depth investigation with the headlines of 'was this boy carried away by the UFO Lobby, a distinguished author, and publishing hype' ? James Darymple posed the questions, with some clangor's that he ought to have known better.. 'all aliens look the same' ! and 'nothing new has appeared in the literature in half a century since the first "B Movies" of the forties and fifties' !... while 'for each reasonable question there is an unreasonable answer' etc etc. Tongue in cheek James says 'the aliens have all power'. Jokingly true ! Of course we don't understand it ! It is "alien" to us, however you use that word !

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On one particular occasion in November 1997 I watched in open mouthed amazement as a huge silent "triangular" craft hovered over my then Southampton home... turning my head to yell at my wife to 'come out and see this thing' it had gone from my view in a clear moonlit sky ! An hour or two produced no answers from various authorities. But next morning I phoned, again, a friend who was a UFO "buff", who had been out the night before, and, cutting short my query as to had he been out in his garden the previous night he launched into a confirmation of what I'd seen, since he and four others had been in a car traveling along the motorway some five miles away, at the same time ! spotting this craft they stopped on the hard shoulder and watched for a few minutes as it whizzed about in short bursts of terrific speed, hovering in between, with no noise and at no great height !

Well, wonder what Kevin McClure makes of all that ? A mere smidgen of all I've encountered ! The lad concludes by asserting that 'there's clearly a need to stop the abduction myths causing any more damage to those it has already taken in' and further : 'to enable them to realize that, simply they are not abductees, with all that entails, to realize they have all been misled' and that 'they don't have to deal with those problems any more. And nor, as investigators, do we' !

So there's the same old SNAFU as the Americans are wont to say !

There are the unsolvable

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differences twixt the “experiencers” (another quite apt Americanism !) and the investigators... and never the twain shall meet until the latter have their own experiences !

I have to admit, in closing, to a nagging desire to know just what particular axe those such as Kevin McClure have to grind ? What drives them to deny the mass of evidence ? Who employs them ? Or what psychological depths shut down their minds to all else but their dogged determination that everyone else is wrong, only THEY are right ?

BOOK REVIEW - BY ERNIE SEARS.

ALIENS : Encounters with the Unexplained, is a beautifully bound, colorfully illustrated, 124 pages thick 1997 publication by author, and ex Alien Encounters magazine Editor Marcus Day. Published by Paragon. Its contents include, and variously feature, Close Encounters, categories up to the Fifth Kind, UFO Hot Spots of the World, with some of the best photographic evidence I've seen in some forty odd years of such.. not ALL of the “genuine” but what IS “genuine” or not is sometimes hard to discover !

That massive and still unsolved “Siberian Fireball” of 1908 opens the book in the “Fire In The Sky” section and “CE1's Through History” run into “Life On Mars”, Area 51, TWA Flight 800, alleged Russian “ALIEN” photos with “undoctored” analysis, CE2's again link historical sightings circa 10,000BC right through to ancient Egypt, Foo Fighters of WW2, the modern triangles, including one alleged to be “stored” at Farnborough!.. that ongoing Mexican “wave”, with some spectacular photos.. Rendlesham Forest..... Astronauts Evidence.. Moon Landings, true or faked ?.. Third Kind encounters include that Aztec “model airplane”.. The grisly “Goatsuckers”.... “Angel Hair”.. MIB's... Roswell..... the autopsy.. then comes the abductee chapter, Barney and Betty Hill, Travis Walton, reasons for, Strieber, Ilkley Moor “alien” photo, and asks ‘Have YOU Been Abducted ?’.. believe me, your reaction to that can be “unusual”, disturbing, puzzling ! Explanations and “alternatives” show those “experts” answers lacking ! Fifth Encounters again take one through early history and to the present day..

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SUFOG APOLOGY.

Due to an error in the last newsletter, may I personally apologies to Moira McGhee of the INUFOR DIGEST and respected Australian researcher. What follows, is the ‘corrected’ review of the INUFOR DIGEST that originally appeared in the January / February ‘98 edition of the newsletter....

INUFOR DIGEST.... Two issues, July and November ‘97, are Australian based and with forty odd pages a good read from the Down Under point of view. Many pages on the abduction and experiences of Leesa Donohue in the July issue, UFO's in France, Scientific Collaboration by Claire Williams, that Left At East Gate reviewed... somber conclusion on the subtle loss of “democracy” over decades that this book has examples of. The November issue contains the Physics of a Flying Saucer by Ted Roach... the “FS” dates him or it !.. can you cope with the Multi hypothesis Approach ?... The Portland Encounter complete with pages of the craft, **the occupants, and Linda's experiences as well as her children, both of who were taken to a fully qualified psychiatrist for counseling.** The Independent Network of UFO Researchers Seminar boasted some 14 speakers and was very successful. PO Box 783, Kogarah, New South Wales. 2217, Australia, is the “office”.

Letter of Apology from Mr. Ernie Sears.

I would like to offer, unreservedly, a public and personal apology concerning an error that somehow “crept in” to my review of Moira McGhee's report on the “Portland Encounter” contained in the INUFOR DIGEST, November 1997. In the January / February issue of the SUFOG Newsletter, wherein I confused, for reasons unknown, Moira McGhee, a much respected Australian UFO Researcher / Investigator, Author, and Conference Speaker, with “Linda”, an abductee, whose case was investigated by Moira McGhee.

My only attempt at an “excuse” might have been the pile of 20 magazines I was reviewing that issue ! 2 of which were INUFOR DIGESTS ! However, this does not change Moira McGhee's entitlement to an apology which I am pleased to offer.

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plentifully illustrated. Peter Gregory's "hybrid" encounter, controversial Billy Meier photos, Adamski's ditto, plus detailed geographical look at the world's "hotspots". UFO Contact groups finalize the book, a useful addition to any investigators library, especially newcomers, the younger set, etc.

Author Marcus Day has had 20 years of research into UFOlogy, is an honors graduate in parapsychology, as well as serving with Alien Encounters magazine, he worked with Uri Geller on HIS magazine, and set up a course on UFO Investigation that is worth a look at. Lives in Bournemouth, where UFO's have been connected with the area for many years... one of my own more dramatic encounters occurred there in the late seventies !

Publishers price for this fascinating book not given... try Paragon Publishing, Paragon House, St Peter's Road, Bournemouth, BH1 2JS. Tel : 01202 299900. Fax : 01202 299955. Or maybe a good book sellers outlet.

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**IN THE NEXT
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LOOKING AT THE ASPECT
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UFOLOGY. I WILL BE
CONCENTRATING ON
WHAT MATERIAL IS
AVAILABLE FOR THE
YOUNG UFOLOGIST IN
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WHAT IS AVAILABLE IN
THE SHOPS AND
LIBRARIES FOR THEM TO
READ AND BORROW.**

**REMEMBER - THE YOUNG
ARE THE OUR
INVESTIGATORS /
RESEARCHERS OF THE
FUTURE ... WE OWE IT TO
THEM NOW TO GET OUR
OWN HOUSE IN ORDER.**

**FUTURE GROUP MEETING
DATES :**

**SUNDAY 26TH APRIL 1998
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1998**

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